



# Merrick County Board Minutes



## **April 8, 2014**

The Merrick County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at 9:05 a.m. in the Supervisors Room, County Courthouse, Central City, NE, with Graves, Helgoth, Jefferson, Kucera, Hahn, Weller and Wiegert present. Also present was County Attorney Lynelle Homolka.

Moved Hahn, second Kucera to convene as Board of Supervisors at 9:07 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes

Notice of the meeting was given thereof by publications in the Republican Nonpareil and The Palmer Journal and on the Merrick County website. Proof of publication is filed in the Clerk's Office. Copies of the agenda were mailed to each Supervisor and kept current and available to the public at the County Clerk's Office.

Chairman Wiegert declared the meeting was preceded by publicized notice and having acknowledged and identified the location of the posting of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act, called the meeting to order and in open session at 9:07 a.m.

**Agenda:** Moved Jefferson, second Kucera to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Minutes:** Weller noted that the new State Auditor contract agreement should say not to exceed \$14,000.00. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the March 25, 2014 minutes with the correction. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Meeting reports:** Graves attended the hospital board meeting; Weller attended the Bader Park meeting and an Economic Development meeting; Helgoth and Wiegert attended the 4-H building meeting and all of the Supervisors attended the Livestock Friendly presentation at McHargues.

**Official reports:** Marlene Lee, who works for the Assessor's Office, said that she was retiring on April 30, 2014.

Extension Educator, Tammy Stuhr said that a grant for \$3,300.00 had been submitted for an engineering consultant and the Extension Office is looking to hire some summer help. Courtney Root is taking over Jeanette Friesen's programing and so they will need more help for the office. The Extension Board is moving their meeting to the first Tuesday of the month and they are looking at keeping the petty cash for another year. County Attorney Homolka said that for the last couple of years the auditors have asked the Board to try and close the petty cash account for Extension. County Clerk Wichmann told the Board that the Treasurer and Clerk Offices had been switched to the State AS400 system. County Attorney Homolka said that she had hired a new Child Support person and they would be starting in the next couple of weeks. Sheriff Campbell said they had the DARE graduation last night and there were 113 students. They are moving the speed trailer around to different locations in the County. All Nance County prisoners are being housed in Merrick County. There are 13 inmates in the jail now and one is on work release and paying for his own stay at \$440.00 a week.

**Hospital update:** Julie Murray gave the Board a handout with Litzenberg Hospital's February and March highlights and gave a brief update.

**Cleaning contract:** County Attorney Homolka had drawn up a new cleaning contract for Brite Express that is good through May 16, 2014 with the option of renewing for another 30 day period. Moved Graves, second Kucera to approve the new cleaning contract with Brite Express that is good through May 16, 2014 with the option of renewal for another 30 day period. Roll Call: All Ayes.

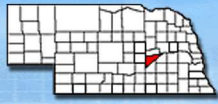
**Electrical agreement:** Highway Superintendent Meyer presented an Electrical Agreement for Craig Dixson in the W1/2NW1/4 aka Lots One (1) and Two (2) in Section 19, Township 11, Range 8. Moved Weller, second Graves to approve the Electrical Agreement for Craig Dixson in the W1/2NW1/4 aka Lots One (1) and Two (2) in Section 19, Township 11, Range 8. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Electrical agreement:** Highway Superintendent Meyer presented an Electrical Agreement for John Creutzberg between Section 28 and Section 29, Township 15, Range 6. Moved Graves, second Helgoth to approve the Electrical Agreement for John Creutzberg between Section 28 and Section 29, Township 15, Range 6. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Subdivision approval:** Planning & Zoning Myers presented a Subdivision Application for James & Katie Reeves in the NE1/4 of Section 13, Township 14, Range 6 for possible housing recreation area. Myers said it was the first split in this quarter and it meets all the regulations. Moved Graves, second Helgoth to approve the Subdivision Application for James & Katie Reeves in the NE1/4 of Section 13, Township 14, Range 6 for possible housing recreation area. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Cedar Lane II Subdivision:** Planning & Zoning Myers, presented a corrected plat for Cedar Lane Subdivision located in part of the SW1/4 of Section 12, Township 13, Range 6. Myers said that after a title search it was found that there was already a Cedar Lane Subdivision in Merrick County and Les McHargue, who owns the new subdivision, wanted to keep the name so they added the II. So now the new subdivision is to be called Cedar Lane II Subdivision. Moved Weller, second Hahn to approve the corrected plat correcting the name of Cedar Lane Subdivision located in part of the SW1/4 of Section 12, Township 13, Range 6 to Cedar Lane II Subdivision. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**RESOLUTION 2014-8:** Highway Superintendent Meyer presented RESOLUTION 2014-8 for the Board approval to direct the Merrick County Treasurer to transfer \$170,000.00 from the Road Fund back to the Road Cash Reserve in the



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Inheritance Fund. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve RESOLUTION 2014-8 directing the Merrick County Treasurer to transfer \$170,000.00 from the Road Fund back to the Road Cash Reserve in the Inheritance Fund. Roll Call: All Ayes. RESOLUTION 2014-8 is on file in the County Clerk's Office for public viewing.

**Recycling:** Sheriff Campbell asked the Board if they could increase the garbage bill by \$9.00 a month so that they could recycle all of the cans they get from food in the jail. The rest of the courthouse could use it for water bottles, pop cans, etc. Moved Weller, second Kucera to approve the recycling and increase in the garbage bill and to also encourage all offices to use the recycling bin that will be located beside the current trash container in back of the courthouse. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Crime Commission Grant:** Juvenile Diversion Officer Julie Beyer is applying for a Why Try Grant through the Crime Commission and has included the Sheriff's Office in trying for \$6,900.00. Sheriff Campbell said this money would be used for two trainings, two licenses, two instructors and will help with DARE because it is more interactive. This would not just include students but can be used for adult learning also. Beyer said that the Crime Commission loves the Why Try Grant. This grant is because of LB561 and will replace DARE. Beyer said that she found out that George Town University has training for Juvenile Diversion programs and Beyer is on the State Juvenile Diversion Advisory Committee and will find out shortly if she will be going to Washington D.C. for training. Beyer is asking the Board for their approval to have the Chairman sign the paperwork for the Why Try Grant. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve the Chairman signing the paperwork for the Why Try Grant. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Bader Park Agreement:** Weller informed the Board that he had taken the new agreement for Bader Park to the Platte Peer Group meeting and they thought the two million dollar liability was a good idea. The Platte Peer Group wanted to look the agreement over more. Pat Carlson had come to see the County Attorney and she thought the term of the agreement should be from July to June. Hamilton County will not be a part of the agreement so it will be just Bader Park. This discussion will carry over to the next Merrick County Supervisor Board meeting on April 22, 2014.

**Emergency Management:** The new Emergency Manager Thomas Smith came before the Board and introduced himself and gave the Board some background information on himself. The County Board of Record Appointment, appointing Thomas Smith to the group known as the East Central Region Governance Board and Sheriff Kevin Campbell as the alternate was presented to the Board for approval. Moved Helgoth, second Jefferson to sign the appointment of Thomas Smith to the group known as the East Central Region Governance Board and Sheriff Kevin Campbell as the alternate. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**Weed Superintendent:** Helgoth had talked to Nance County about sharing their weed person with Merrick County. Nance County was alright with sharing. Helgoth will get in touch with Kevin Koziol, Nance County Weed Superintendent to see if he is still interested and then the County Attorney and County Clerk can get in touch with the Nance County Attorney and County Clerk to work out the details of an interlocal agreement and payment.

**County Clerk surplus:** County Clerk Wichmann had to replace four computers in her office when they were switched over to the State AS40 system because her computers were Window XP and needed to be Windows 7. She used two of the computers to replace the two in her vault that were purchased in 1999 and 2001. So she has a computer purchased in 1999, one purchased in 2001, and one purchased in 2010 to surplus. An employee in her office would like to purchase the computer purchased in 2010 but the other two are so old that she doesn't think she would get much if anything out of them. It was mentioned that maybe Goodwill would want them or call Cody's Computers to see if he could use them for parts. Moved Hahn, second Jefferson to approve the County Clerk surplus a computer purchased in 1999, 2001, and one purchased in 2010. Roll Call: All Ayes.

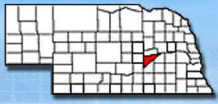
**County Assessor surplus:** Assessor Placke asked the Board to allow her to surplus four computers with key boards, two monitors, an Epson Artesian printer and an IBM printer as she sees fit. She would like to offer them to anyone in the courthouse and what is left she would just throw away. The computers still have their programs on them. The Epson Artesian printer is still good and is not very old. She just replaced it with a color printer. The IBM printer is a tractor fed and is very old. Moved Jefferson, second Kucera to allow the Assessor to surplus four computers with key boards, two monitors, an Epson Artesian printer and an IBM printer as she sees fit. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**February/March 2014 fees:** The February 2014 fees from the Clerk of District Court were presented to the Board for approval. They had gotten missed the previous month in the approval motion. The March 2014 fees from the Clerk of District Court, Sheriff, and County Clerk were presented for the Board approval. Moved Graves, second Jefferson to approve the February 2014 fees from the Clerk of District Court and the March 2014 fees from the Clerk of District Court, Sheriff, and County Clerk. Roll Call: All Ayes.

**April 2014 claims:** The April 2014 claims were presented to the Board for approval:

FUND	NAME	INVDISC	TOTCLAIMS
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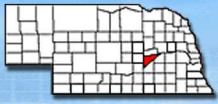
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AMERICINN	LODGING	\$	284.82
MARVIN L ANDERSEN	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	2,560.22
	TECHNOLOGY		
AS CENTRAL SERVICES OCIO	FEE	\$	487.00
TAD BALDWIN	COURT COSTS	\$	20.00
JULIE L BELLIS	COURT EXPENSES	\$	81.59
DOROTHY D BENTON	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	3,607.50
GARY BERRY	MEALS/MILEAGE	\$	105.20
BILL NESIBA SIGN STUDIO	EQUIPMENT	\$	175.00
PATRICIA BOLTE	MILEAGE	\$	75.04
BRITE EXPRESS	CLEANING SRVC	\$	4,069.25
TYSON BULLIS	MISC EXPENSES	\$	60.51
KEVIN CAMPBELL	CELL PHONE	\$	30.00
CARTRIDGE WORLD	SUPPLIES	\$	437.96
CENTRAL CITY MALL	MISC EXPENSES	\$	120.70
CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH			
DEPARTMENT	CONTRACT	\$	2,307.10
CHIEF/LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPLY	UNIFORMS	\$	96.49
TODD CHURCH	MISC EXPENSES	\$	217.76
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY/ UTILITIES	UTILITIES	\$	3,296.31
CITY OF CENTRAL CITY	JAIL UTILITIES	\$	122.11
CITY OF G.I. UTILITIES DEPT	MISC EXPENSES	\$	9.60
CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/CC	COURT COSTS	\$	489.15
CODY'S COMPUTER REPAIR SERVICE	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	130.00
CONSOLIDATED MANAGEMENT			
COMPANY	MEALS	\$	38.00
	PRISONER		
CORNER DRUG	BOARD	\$	252.59
RACHEL A DAUGHERTY	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	30.00
DES MOINES STAMP	SUPPLIES	\$	63.40
DOUGLAS COUNTY COURT	COURT EXPENSES	\$	1.75
EAGLE COMMUNICATIONS	3.01E+08	\$	323.71
EAKES OFFICE PLUS	SUPPLIES	\$	105.95
ECO WATER SYSTEMS	WATER SERVICE	\$	163.50
	BALLOT		
ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE	PRODUCT	\$	1,590.75
FAAR CONSULTING, LLC	COURT COSTS	\$	1,075.43
FLEET SERVICES/WEX BANK	FUEL	\$	2,679.30
GRAFTON LAW OFFICE	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	900.00
	PRISONER		
GRAND ISLAND INDEPENDENT	BOARD	\$	162.00
JIM L GRAVES	MILEAGE	\$	80.64
LINDA GREGER	SOCIAL SERVICE	\$	135.00
	PRISONER		
HALL COUNTY CORRECTIONS	BOARD	\$	1,650.00
HAPP PUBLISHING	PUBLICATIONS	\$	270.21
JAMES HELGOTH	MILEAGE	\$	277.76



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HOMETOWN VARIETY	SUPPLIES	\$	59.98
LYNELLE HOMOLKA	MISC EXPENSES	\$	30.49
JACKSON SERVICES	SERVICE SUPPLY	\$	155.00
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$	38.10
JENSEN PUBLISHING, INC	PUBLICATIONS	\$	20.60
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$	750.83
JENSEN PUBLISHING	PUBLICATION	\$	271.37
JENSEN PUBLISHING	SUPPLIES	\$	25.46
JENSEN PUBLISHING/P&Z	PRINTING	\$	15.21
LATIMER REPORTING	COURT EXPENSES	\$	127.00
JIM LAUDENKLOS	CELL PHONE	\$	30.00
LEXISNEXIS	LAW LIBRARY	\$	250.00
LITZENBERG/HOSPITAL OPERATING	SUPPORT	\$	8,333.33
LITZENBERG CO. HOSPITAL	D&A TESTING	\$	26.65
	PRISONER		
LONE TREE MEDICAL ASSOCS.	BOARD	\$	108.00
MARVIN PLANNING CONSULTANTS	CONSULTING SRV	\$	5,700.00
MATTHEW BENDER & CO., INC	LAW MANUAL	\$	65.08
MCI	TELEPHONE	\$	51.49
	HIRED		
MCILNAY & CO	PLUMBING	\$	355.00
MERRICK CO. CLERK	RECORDING FEES	\$	10.00
MERRICK CO. COURT	COURT COSTS	\$	398.00
MERRICK CO. EXTENSION SERVICE	MISC EXPENSES	\$	509.46
	TRANSFER		
MERRICK CO. HIGHWAY DEPT.	FUNDS	\$	83,390.01
MERRICK CO. TREASURER	MISC EXPENSES	\$	9,195.94
MICHAEL MEYER	MILEAGE/POSTAL	\$	764.47
MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS, INC	IMAGING	\$	35.00
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS, INC	INS DEDUCT	\$	853.94
MID-NEBRASKA DISPOSAL, INC	GARBAGE SRVC	\$	131.50
MIDLAND TELECOM, INC.	RADIO REPAIR	\$	34.38
MIDWEST MAILING SYSTEMS INC	POSTAGE	\$	30.00
MIPS INC.	EQUIPMENT	\$	6,687.09
MIPS INC.	COMP SUPPORT	\$	3,093.52
MIPS INC.	EQUIPMENT	\$	654.28
JENNIFER MYERS	MISC EXPENSES	\$	422.85
NE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY			
TREASURERS	2014 NACO DUES	\$	75.00
NE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	INSTITUTIONS	\$	252.00
NE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING			
CENTER	L.E. TRAINING	\$	125.00
NE PUBLIC HEALTH ENVIRONMENTAL			
LAB	D&A TESTING	\$	105.00
	PRISONER		
NEBRASKA FOOT & ANKLE PC	BOARD	\$	321.00
NORTHEAST NE JUVENILE SERVICE	PRISONER	\$	131.25





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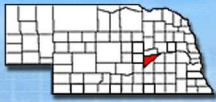


## BOARD

NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$	36.41
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$	53.86
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$	81.27
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$	79.12
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$	56.29
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$	44.81
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$	113.70
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$	50.34
NT&T/ROADS	TELEPHONE	\$	83.42
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$	107.60
	COURTHOUSE		
NT&T	FAX	\$	48.13
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$	58.49
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	3.99
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$	569.29
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES/EQUIP	\$	184.54
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$	153.81
OFFICENET	SUPPLIES	\$	77.97
OFFICENET	EQUIP RENTAL	\$	200.25
OFFICENET	EQUIPMENT	\$	89.99
OFFICENET, INC.	RENTAL/PAPER	\$	939.24
	PRISONER		
PLATTE COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY	BOARD	\$	650.00
PROTOCOL	COMMISSARY	\$	524.04
SCEDD	SUPPORT	\$	2,000.00
SHRED MONSTER INC	SHRED SERVICE	\$	39.00
STATE GLASS, INC.	SUPPLIES	\$	85.86
MITCHELL C STEHLIK	ATTORNEY FEES	\$	585.00
T.O. HAAS TIRE CO.	CAR REPAIR	\$	142.87
THE THOMPSON CO	SUPPLIES	\$	2,426.18
U.S. BANK	SUPPLIES	\$	18.58
VERIZON WIRELESS	#9721925461	\$	25.10
	PRISONER		
VISA	BOARD	\$	106.09
REX WELLER	MILEAGE	\$	50.40
JOHN WESTMAN	CELL PHONE	\$	30.00
MARCIA WICHMANN	MILEAGE	\$	91.84
ROGER WIEGERT	MILEAGE	\$	120.96
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>162,145.02</b>

## ROADS

ALL ROADS BARRICADES, INC	SIGNS & POSTS	\$	2,520.60
AURORA CO-OP ELEVATOR CO.	FUEL	\$	2,688.00
BILL'S VOLUME SALES	SUPPLIES/EQUIP	\$	148.92
BOMGAARS	REPAIR/SUPPLY	\$	260.44
BOSSelman INC/ROADS	SUPPLIES/OIL	\$	1,053.51



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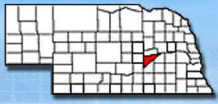


## CALIFORNIA CONTRACTORS SUPPLIES

INC	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	134.50
DENNIS CATLETT	CDL RENEWAL	\$	31.00
CENTRAL CITY AUTO PARTS/ROADS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$	1,271.82
COMPUTER CONCEPTS INC.	OFFICE EQUIP	\$	1,154.00
EAKES OFFICE PLUS INC/ROADS	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$	19.15
FILTER CARE	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	58.70
FRONTIER COOPERATIVE	FUEL	\$	370.53
RANDY FUEHRER	MILEAGE	\$	76.16
GILBARCO INC	FUEL	\$	17.00
GRAND ISLAND CLINIC/ROADS	D & A TESTING	\$	25.00
GROSSHANS, INC./ROADS	SUPPLY/REPAIR	\$	46.41
H & H OWL AUTO PARTS INC	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	85.00
HERK'S WELDING SHOP	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	81.01
CHRIS HUSTON	MILEAGE	\$	28.00
INTERSTATE BATTERY SYSTEM	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	218.90
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO.	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	23.85
JACKSON LINEN SERVICE/ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	49.72
JENSEN PUBLISHING/ROADS	PUBLISHING	\$	6.60
LITZENBERG HOSPITAL/ROADS	D & A TESTING	\$	79.95
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC	D&A TESTING	\$	5.00
MID AMERICAN BENEFITS, INC	ROADS	\$	798.46
NE ASSOC OF CO ENGINEERS	EDUCATION	\$	110.00
NEBR. MACHINERY CO.	REPAIR & LABOR	\$	275.30
NE MOTOR FUELS DIVISION	FUEL TAX	\$	1,079.00
LEE NEEL	LAND RENTAL	\$	50.00
NT&T/SHOP	TELEPHONE	\$	53.26
OFFICENET	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$	169.06
OLSSON & ASSOCIATES	ENGINEER FEES	\$	324.00
OVERLAND SAND & GRAVEL	GRAVEL	\$	117.13
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	FUEL	\$	1,749.00
POLK COUNTY RURAL PUBLIC POWER DIST	ELECTRICITY	\$	69.70
JOHN E PROSOSKI	LAND RENTAL	\$	120.00
SACK LUMBER CO./ROADS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	481.73
SAPP BROS. PETROLEUM	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	28,556.98
SCOTT-VAN KEPPEL-BR	EQUIP REPAIR	\$	1,199.26
SOURCEGAS, LLC	GAS SERVICE	\$	196.04
SOUTHERN POWER DISTRICT	ELECTRICITY	\$	820.97
TRAUSCH DYNAMICS	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	126.45
VERIZON WIRELESS	TELEPHONE	\$	48.18
VILLAGE OF CHAPMAN	ELECTRICITY	\$	42.15
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$	67.90
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>46,908.34</b>

## JUVENILE DIVERSION

JULIE BEYER	MISC EXPENSES	\$	284.58
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MERRICK CO. TREASURER	POSTAGE-JUVDIV	\$	22.00
NT&T	TELEPHONE	\$	63.20
QUILL	SUPPLIES	\$	95.75
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>465.53</b>

## DARE

CREATIVE PRODUCT SOURCING,INC-			
DARE	SUPPLIES	\$	90.90
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>90.90</b>

## INHERITANCE

EAGLE COMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET	\$	195.95
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>195.95</b>

## E911

CENTURY LINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	246.56
CENTURYLINK	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	412.95
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	67.47
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	61.91
NNTC	E911 PHONE SRV	\$	139.14
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>928.03</b>

Moved Weller, second Kucera to approve the April 2014 claims as presented. Roll Call: All Ayes.

Adjourn: Moved Helgoth, second Kucera to adjourn at 11:33 a.m. Roll Call: All Ayes.

/s/Roger Wiegert, Chairman

/s/Marcia Wichmann, County Clerk